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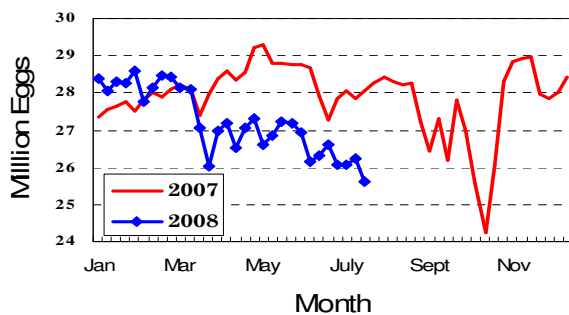
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Arkansas Chick Placements Down 4 Percent from Last Year

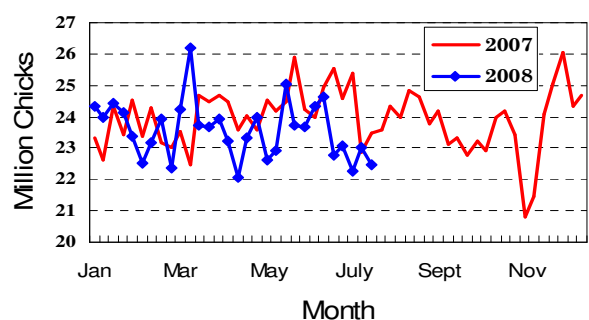
Broiler-type chicks placed for meat production in Arkansas were 22.5 million during the week ending July 26, 2008. Placements were down 4 percent from the comparable week in 2007, and down 2 percent from the previous week.

Arkansas hatcheries set 25.6 million broiler-type eggs during the week ending July 26, 2008, down 9 percent from the same period last year, and down 2 percent from the previous week.

Eggs Set In Arkansas, 2007-2008



Chicks Placed In Arkansas, 2007-2008



Broiler Eggs Set and Chicks Placed in 19 Major States by Week, June 28, 2008 - July 26, 2008

State	Eggs Set					Chicks Placed				
	Week Ending					Week Ending				
	28-Jun	5-Jul	12-Jul	19-Jul	26-Jul	28-Jun	5-Jul	12-Jul	19-Jul	26-Jul
	<i>Thousand</i>					<i>Thousand</i>				
Alabama	30,529	29,252 *	30,452 *	30,772 *	30,738	22,019	21,476 *	21,456 *	21,112	20,573
Arkansas	26,620	26,069	26,089	26,250	25,628	22,783	23,052	22,289	23,028 *	22,468
Delaware	3,495	3,573	3,624	3,629	3,589	5,208	4,213	4,594	4,388	3,949
Florida	1,361	1,376 *	1,306	1,273	1,226	1,216	1,315	1,160	1,227	1,180
Georgia	33,955	32,622	33,907	33,591	33,274	29,311	28,617	27,742	27,913	27,017
Kentucky	7,301	7,906 *	7,909	8,007 *	7,967	7,090	6,470	6,016	5,489 *	6,520
Louisiana	3,651	3,651	3,651	3,621	3,621	3,632	3,456	3,543	3,465	3,572
Maryland	8,594	8,618	8,852	8,762	8,919	6,114	6,083	5,922	5,454	5,851
Mississippi	18,624	18,772	17,768	18,560	18,560	17,283	16,882	16,718	16,553	16,717
N. Carolina	19,022	18,266 *	18,574	18,739	19,360	16,328	15,683	15,980	15,849	15,295
Oklahoma	6,962 *	6,845 *	7,429	7,113 *	7,060	5,110	4,512 *	6,113	5,103 *	4,919
Pennsylvania	4,525	4,316	4,384 *	4,511 *	4,347	3,384	3,385	3,436 *	3,406 *	3,193
S. Carolina	5,539	5,348	5,380	5,659	5,494	4,044	4,726	5,027	4,737	4,624
Texas	14,714	15,700	15,608	15,675	14,975	13,260	13,403	13,409	12,345	13,209
Virginia	6,123	6,099	6,017	6,344	6,344	4,440	4,865	5,423	5,198	5,364
CA,MO,TN& WV	19,096	19,093	19,429	18,983	19,276	17,954	17,032	16,763	17,167	16,417
19 State Total	210,111 *	207,506 *	210,379 *	211,489 *	210,378	179,176	175,170 *	175,591 *	172,434 *	170,868
Prev. Year Total	210,141	216,018	218,175	216,979	217,989	178,938	178,318	177,496	172,031	176,538
% of Prev. Year	100	96	96	97	97	100	98	99	100	97

* Revised in current week.

Broiler-Type Eggs Set In 19 Selected States Down 3 Percent

Commercial hatcheries in the 19-State weekly program set 210 million eggs in incubators during the week ending July 26, 2008. This was down 3 percent from the eggs set the corresponding week a year earlier. Average hatchability for chicks hatched during the week was 84 percent. Average hatchability is calculated by dividing chicks hatched during the week by eggs set three weeks earlier.

Broiler Chicks Placed Down 3 Percent

Broiler growers in the 19-State weekly program placed 171 million chicks for meat production during the week ending July 26, 2008. Placements were down 3 percent from the comparable week a year earlier. Cumulative placements from December 30, 2007 through July 26, 2008 were 5.33 billion, up 1 percent from the same period a year earlier.

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